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NEWS RELEASE

United States Attorney Michael L. Levy today announced the filing of an Indictment¹ charging Giovanni Lagioia with possession with intent to distribute 5 kilograms or more of cocaine and exporting 5 kilograms of cocaine.

INFORMATION REGARDING THE DEFENDANTS

| NAME | ADDRESS | AGE OR YEAR OF BIRTH |
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| Giovanni Lagioia | Italy | 29 years old |

If convicted the defendant faces a maximum possible sentence of life imprisonment, with a 10 year mandatory minimum sentence of imprisonment, a mandatory minimum of 4 years up to lifetime supervised release, an \$8,000,000 fine, and a \$200 special assessment.

The case was investigated by Immigration and Customs Enforcement and is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Terri A. Marinari.

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